

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

TO: ALL NEWS EDITORS/TRANSPORT JOURNALISTS

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### **RTIA's STATEMENT ON THE NORTH GAUTENG HIGH COURT JUDGEMENT.**

The Road Traffic Infringement Agency (RTIA) has noted the judgement passed down by the North Gauteng High Court regarding the case submitted by Fines4U. The Agency's legal team is currently studying the judgement.

The RTIA would like to state clearly that the North Gauteng high court has not placed any judgement against the AARTO Act or all the infringement notices issued by traffic authorities within the Johannesburg and Tshwane jurisdictions. The North Gauteng High Court was only faced with a review application in respect of 639 infringement notices where 424 representations were submitted by Fines4U to Agency and were ruled unsuccessful. The North Gauteng High Court ruled in favour of Fines4U in respect of the decisions of representations officers and failure to provide reasons for such decisions as prescribed by law.

It is important for members of the public to exercise caution and attend to the Infringement Notices and should always know that they have a right to exercise any of the prescribed options provided by the AARTO Act. Such include; submitting a representation to challenge your fine; nominate a driver; pay in instalments; pay in full or elect to be tried in court.

Motorists who would like to know their traffic fine status are encouraged to call the RTIA call centre on 086 122 7861.

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